



BIRD CHECKLIST

Many of the men who fought on this field in 1846 also had an interest in the birds of the area. Captain John Porter McCown, for example, is credited for discovering eight new species including the Black-bellied Whistling Duck, Green Kingfisher, Vermilion Flycatcher, Verdin, Cactus Wren, Pyrrhuloxia, Great-tailed Grackle, and Olive Sparrow. Captain Jean Louis Berlandier of the Mexican Army was a noted naturalist who documented numerous birds of the Rio Grande Valley. As you visit the fields where these soldiers fought, you may sight some of the birds they might have seen that day.

This list is in accordance with the seventh edition (1998) A.O.U. Check List of North American Birds.
SEASONS: SP: March - May **SU:** June - August **F:** September - November **W:** December – February

ABUNDANCE CODES

- A:** Abundant
- C:** Common in proper habitat
- O:** Occasional
- R:** Rare; Seen every 2-5 years
- U:** Uncommon; Present, may not be seen
- X:** Accidental

FIELD INFORMATION

Observer: _____ **Date:** _____ **Time:** _____
Sky/Wind/Temp: _____ **Total # Species:** _____

BITTERNS & HERONS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	C	U	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Egret	C	U	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Reddish Egret	C	U	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Cattle Egret	U	U	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-crowned Night Heron	U	U	U	O
IRISES & SPOONBILLS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> White Ibis	C	U	C	O
<input type="checkbox"/> White-faced Ibis	C	O	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Roseate Spoonbill	U	O	U	O
SWANS, DUCKS & GEESE	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Whistling Duck	C	A	U	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck	-	-	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal	U	U	C	C
AMERICAN VULTURES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture	C	C	C	C
KITES, EAGLES & HAWKS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Swallow-tailed Kite	R	-	R	-
<input type="checkbox"/> White-tailed Kite	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier	C	R	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper’s Hawk	U	-	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Harris’s Hawk	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-shouldered Hawk	O	-	O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson’s Hawk	O	-	O	R
<input type="checkbox"/> White-tailed Hawk	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk	U	-	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Ferruginous Hawk	R	-	R	R

CARACARAS & FALCONS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel	C	-	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Aplomado Falcon	R	R	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon	-	-	-	R
CHACHALACA	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Plain Chachalaca	C	C	U	U
TURKEYS, QUAILS & PHEASANTS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Bobwhite	C	C	C	C
PLOVERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Plover	R	-	O	R
SANDPIPERS & PHALAROPES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs	A	U	A	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Willet	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed Curlew	C	U	A	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Baird’s Sandpiper	O	-	O	-
GULLS, TERNS & SKIMMERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Laughing Gull	A	A	A	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull	C	U	C	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull	U	O	U	U
PIGEONS & DOVES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Dove	O	O	O	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Inca Dove	O	O	O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Ground Dove	C	C	C	C
CUCKOOS, ROADRUNNERS & ANIS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed Cuckoo	C	C	O	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Roadrunner	C	C	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Groove-billed Ani	U	C	C	O
NIGHTJARS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Nighthawk	C	A	A	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Pauraque	C	C	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Whip-poor Will	R	-	-	-
SWIFTS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Chimney Swift	C	-	-	O
HUMMINGBIRDS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Buff-bellied Hummingbird	R	R	R	-
KINGFISHERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Ringed Kingfisher	-	-	-	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher	U	-	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Green Kingfisher	-	R	-	-
WOODPECKERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-fronted Woodpecker	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Ladder-backed Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	-	-	O	O

FLYCATCHERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood-Pewee	C	-	C	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe	C	U	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Vermilion Flycatcher	U	-	U	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-crested Flycatcher	C	C	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Kiskadee	U	C	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Couch’s Kingbird	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird	C	-	C	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	A	U	C	R

LARKS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Lark	C	C	C	C

SWALLOWS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow	C	-	C	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow	A	-	C	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Swallow	C	O	C	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow	C	O	C	-

JAYS, CROWS, & RAVENS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Green Jay	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Tamaulipas Crow	R	-	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Chichuahuan Raven	U	U	O	O

VERDINS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Verdin	U	U	U	U

WRENS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Cactus Wren	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Bewick’s Wren	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> House Wren	R	-	C	C

KINGLETS & GNATCATCHERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet	U	-	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	U	O	C	C

THRUSHES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin	U	-	U	C

MIMICS & THRASHERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird	C	-	C	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Mockingbird	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Sage Thrasher	O	-	O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed Thrasher	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Curve-billed Thrasher	C	C	C	C

SHRIKES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Loggerhead Shrike	U	-	U	U

STARLINGS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> European Starling	-	-	R	R

VIREOS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> White-eyed Vireo	U	U	U	U

WOOD WARBLERS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler	C	-	U	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned Warbler	C	-	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler	U	-	C	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler	C	-	U	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	C	-	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler	C	R	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat	C	U	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-breasted Chat	U	-	O	-
CARDINALS & GROSBEAKS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Cardinal	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Pyrrhuloxia	U	O	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Grosbeak	C	O	U	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Indigo Bunting	C	-	U	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Varied Bunting	U	O	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Painted Bunting	C	O	U	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Dickissel	C	-	C	-

SPARROWS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Olive Sparrow	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Cassin’s Sparrow	C	C	C	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Botteri’s Sparrow	C	C	U	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow	U	-	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Lark Sparrow	C	U	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow	A	-	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Grasshopper Sparrow	U	-	O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow	O	-	O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln’s Sparrow	U	-	C	C
BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Meadowlark	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Brewer’s Blackbird	C	-	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Great-tailed Grackle	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronzed Cowbird	C	A	U	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Orchard Oriole	C	O	O	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Oriole	R	R	-	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Altamira Oriole	R	-	-	R
FINCHES	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> House Finch	C	C	C	C
OLD WORLD SPARROWS	SP	SU	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow	C	C	C	C